NICHE Education Briefs

Overview
The NICHE Education Briefs are concise PowerPoint in-services that focus on clinical care issues and trends pertinent to the Geriatric Resource Nurse (GRN) and bedside caregiver’s ability to provide evidence-based care. The Education Brief series was created at the request of NICHE coordinators, who drive the implementation of NICHE concepts and models of care for older adult patients at their respective hospitals.

Features & Benefits
Feature: In-service training modules focus on clinical care issues and trends
Benefit: Improve ability of healthcare providers to deliver optimum care

Feature: Education Brief series allows continuous education at the bedside
Benefit: Delivers up-to-date training on rapidly changing practice protocols

Feature: Briefs take as little as 30 minutes to complete
Benefit: Can be easily used in instructor-led format or reviewed online

Feature: Supplied with handouts and initiative concepts
Benefit: Supports implementation of unit- or hospital-based GRN-led NICHE strategies

Application
Described to assist the NICHE coordinator and/or educator in providing continuing education in short in-service sessions on timely and important topics in the care of older adult hospital patients.

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- Caring for the Older Adult with COPD: Three-part Series Discusses High Prevalence of COPD in Older Adults
- GPCA: Emotional Needs of the Older Adult Patient & Physical Care of the Older Adult Patient
- GRN: Identifying the Patient Appropriate for Palliative Care
- Neglect: Self Neglect in the Hospitalized Older Adult
- Pain in Older Adults: Evidence-based Approaches to Assessing Pain in Older Adults
- Safety: The GRN’s Bedside Guide: Simple Environmental Modifications to Enhance Safety for Older Adults
- Teach-back: Using “Teach-back” at the Bedside
- Vaccines: Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccinations and Older Adults
NICHE Education Brief: Vaccinations

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The goal of this staff development PowerPoint is to provide educational components related to health maintenance and the role of vaccinations that are essential for improved health in the older population. For background, the brief includes a review of the data, impact, and facts about influenza and pneumonia.

Vaccination Record Card

Included as part of the Education Brief, these concise and portable patient Record Cards are designed to encourage the transfer of essential information between levels of care and healthcare providers.

Brief Objectives

- Describe the vaccinations that are essential for improved or maintained health in the older population
- Identify at risk populations
- Provide education related to health maintenance and the role of vaccinations
- Provide vaccinations as needed/improve communications in care transitions

View the entire Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccinations and Older Adults Education Brief. This resource is available only to NICHE member organizations.